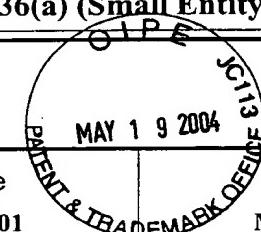


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COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)

Docket No.
 5453.00009

In Re Application Of: Leward Nile Smith



Serial No.
 09/970,060

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Examiner
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Group Art Unit
 3725

Invention: **MULTI-FUNCTIONAL TOOL ASSEMBLY FOR PROCESSING TOOL OF WASTE PROCESSING MACHINE**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of January 14, 2004 in the above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months
 from: April 14, 2004 until: May 14, 2004

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A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	20 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0	x \$43.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of **\$55.00** for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of **\$55.00**
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **02-2712**
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **02-2712**

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on May 14, 2004 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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